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Object: Fat jar

Material: Wood, leather

Description: Pot is hollowed from a single piece of wood

with small lugs pierced horizontally for a plaited leather strap. Four vertical bands of 3 rows each of poker work(small burned dots) decorate the jar. Sides

are convex and bottom is flat. A cow hide(with hair)

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cap was made by soaking, stretching, and binding the leather over the opening. Fat is used for cooking, preparing leather, and as a cosmetic. Traditionally,

the fat is from the fat-tailed sheep.

Dimensions: Height 18.8 cm Diam. 9.6 cm (in cm.)

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